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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

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Thereon**

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Third Preliminary Amendment

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:



Prior to examination of the captioned application, Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner enter the following amendments:

Amendments

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 1-6 and 17-42, without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter therein, in favor of the following new claims

43. A method for selecting recombinants encoding a target epitope comprising:
providing a first population of adherent cells which contain test recombinants and which express an appropriate MHC molecule, contacting said first population with cytotoxic T cells specific for said target epitope, and collecting cells which become nonadherent.